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APPENDIX VIII.

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PUBLIC (SERVICES) DEPARTMENT.

COMMUNICATION TO THE COUNCIL.

With reference to the supplementary answer given to question No. 774, asked at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 28th January 1932, the following information is laid on the table:—

Legislative Council question No. 774 answered on 28th January 1932.

No Europeans were sent abroad during the triennium ending with the 31st December 1931 with State aid or scholarships for special study.

G. T. H. BRACKEN,
Chief Secretary.

To the Legislative Council Office.

APPENDIX IX.

[Vide item X—Papers laid on the Table of the House—page 99 supra.]

A SURVEY OF THE FLOODS WHICH OCCURRED IN THE GANJAM, VIZAGAPATAM AND WEST GODAVARI DISTRICTS IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER 1931.

Origin and course of the storm.—Following upon disturbed weather conditions, a storm developed on the morning of the 13th October 1931 about 60 miles east of Calingapatam. It crossed the coast on 14th October 1931 and caused widespread rain in the North Madras Coast. In the Ganjam district the rains were unusually heavy in the basin of the Nagavalli river and the southern and western parts of the Chicacole taluk. In the Vizagapatam district the rainfall was unprecedentedly heavy on the 13th, 14th and 15th. The rainfall recorded on the 14th was 21·50 inches at Pottanghi, 14·10 inches at Vizianagram, 13·94 inches at Chipurapalle and between 10 and 11 inches at Srungavarapukota, Bimlipatam, Bobbili and Salur. On the 31st October and the 1st November 1931, there was again heavy rainfall throughout Vizagapatam district. In the West Godavari district also there were heavy rains towards the end of October and the beginning of November. Owing to the heavy rainfall many of the rivers and drains in the three districts were in floods during the period.

In the Ganjam district, the floods spread over an area 3 miles in width and over 16 miles in length all along the Nagavalli river from Kottavalasa to Mufuzbundar.